



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Robert KERSCH

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Method And Apparatus For Preventing Machine

Damage \_

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, DC 20231

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## **AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Responsive to the office action dated July 3, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- This object is achieved, in a web-fed rotary printing machine having a plurality of cylinders rolling on one another, by providing a plurality of motors assigned to the cylinders, which motors can be synchronized by means of an associated control device and which, in the event of a web break, can be braked abruptly to a standstill, at least within a few revolutions. To